



# Vinton Notices for the Week Ending September 12, 2014

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# VINTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE SEPTEMBER 23, 2014



TO: Parent(s) and Guardian(s)  
FROM: Dr. James E. Palmer, Principal and the Vinton PTA  
RE: VINTON SCHOOL FAMILY NIGHT OPEN HOUSE

1. **DATE:** On Tuesday evening **September 23, 2014**, the staff and PTA of Vinton School will host an **OPEN HOUSE**. As you know, this gala event has become our biggest night of the year.
2. **TIMES:** Due to the number of people who attend this event, we request that parents follow our time guidelines.
  - A) If your child is in **grade Preschool, K, 1, or 2**, please join us between **6:30-7:15 P.M.**
  - B) If your child is in **grade 3 or 4**, please join us between **7:15-8:00 P.M.**
  - C) If you have more than one child spanning the age range, please choose a time frame somewhere in the middle so that there will be parking available.
3. **WHO AND WHAT:** All parents, grandparents, and friends are cordially invited to attend. Your son or daughter is encouraged to accompany you to serve as your tour guide for the evening. To help with "crowd control", please keep your children with you during the event. Perhaps you might plan your "tour" at home before coming to Vinton. The evening is designed to provide an opportunity for your child to introduce you to his/her teachers. Please be reminded that this is not an evening for individual parent-teacher conferences. Conferences will be scheduled in November (or sooner at your request). The Vinton PTA will be helping to host our Open House. Please stop by the PTA table to show your support!
4. **PARKING:** Because we have such fabulous attendance, parking does become a small problem. Please carpool if at all possible. Additional parking is available on the recess blacktop area and in the back of the school by the baseball field.
5. **DON'T FORGET:** Please visit all of the areas that so vitally contribute to the total teaching and learning program. Besides your child's classroom, don't forget to stop into the Music and Art rooms, Library, Computer Lab, Learning Center, Gym, etc. Programs such as Spanish, Physical Education and Speech will be located at tables in the Gym. Please visit the Enrichment program in the back building ("Turtle Island").

**OPEN HOUSE** is a "family visiting night" and we are most eager to see everyone. If questions arise prior to the evening's events of September 23, feel free to call us at school (860-423-3086).



## THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF MANSFIELD, CONNECTICUT

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FOUR SOUTH EAGLEVILLE ROAD  
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September 12, 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian:

I write to provide information regarding a continued change to our past practice of doing a fire drill each month at school. As a result of Public Act No. 09-131, Connecticut school districts are required to replace three fire drills with three Crisis Response drills, in consultation with police and fire officials. These drills are intended to provide staff with an opportunity to practice communication, organization and accounting skills while allowing students to practice the skills of listening and following directions similar to those used in our current fire drills.

After consulting with police and fire officials, we have scheduled drills to be conducted at all schools during the months of September and October, January, and May.

The September – October drill will have each school practice for a tornado which will involve students moving from their classroom to the hallways for safety. The January drill will have each school practice for a security breach which will involve students and staff practicing our lockdown/lockout procedures. The May drill will have each school practice for a gas leak which will involve an evacuation from the building similar to a fire drill.

All scheduled drills will be conducted by school staff and observed by fire and police officials who will provide support and feedback regarding future drills.

Our hope is to reinforce with students the importance of quietly listening for and following directions from staff.

Please feel free to contact your building principal and/or me if you would like further information regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Rachel D. Leclerc, Ed.D.



# YOUTH BASKETBALL 2014-2015

## GRADES K- 8 PROGRAM INFORMATION

Register at [mansfieldcc.com](http://mansfieldcc.com) or Mansfield Community Center

### REGISTRATION DEADLINES!

Competitive/Travel deadline, October 6th  
Grades K-8 Recreation deadline, November 2

**\*All tryouts and evaluations  
at Mansfield Middle School**

### Competitive/Travel Division

#### Mandatory Tryouts

#### October 7 and 15:

Grades 5&6 Girls, 6-7:30P

Grades 7&8 Girls, 7:30-9:00P

#### October 8 and 16:

Grades 5&6 Boys, 6-7:30P

Grades 7&8 Boys, 7:30-9P

Volunteer coaches needed  
for most divisions. Please  
see pages 2 and 4.

Referees and Gym Supervisors can  
apply on line for paid positions at  
[www.mansfieldct.org](http://www.mansfieldct.org)



### Mandatory

### Recreation Division

#### Skill Evaluations

#### November 12 \*must also attend 11/15

\*Grades 5&6 Boys, 6-7:30P

\*Grades 7&8 Boys, 7:30-9P

#### November 13

Grades 5&6 and 7&8 Girls, 6-8P

#### November 15

Grades 3&4 Boys, 9-10:30A.

Grades 3&4 Girls, 10:30-11:30A

Grades 5&6 Boys, 12-12:45P

Grades 7&8 Boys, 1-1:45P



## **MANSFIELD PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

# **YOUTH BASKETBALL 2014-2015 INFORMATION**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINES: Grade 5-8 Competitive Division (10/06/14). \* See tryout information on page 1.**  
**Grade K-2 Skill and Drill & 3-8 Recreation Division deadline is (11/02/14) \* See evaluation information on page 1.**

\*Registration is accepted only on a space available basis after deadlines and with a \$20.00 late fee will apply to all grades 3-8 divisions. Fee waivers are available to qualified residents.

**Gr. K - 2 -Hoop Skill & Drill:** \* Must provide own #4 or #5 (25.5-27.5 basketball)

(341001-A) Grade K only (9:00am) \* Saturdays at a local Mansfield elementary school (TBD)

(341002-A) Grade 1 and 2 (10:00am) \* Organized instruction and some "team" play

(341002-B) Grade 1 and 2 (11:00am) \* 8 Sessions beginning December 13. No play 12/27.

(341002-C) Grade 1 and 2 (12:00pm)

Fees: residents \$55.00, non-residents: \$65.00 (includes shirt)



**Gr. Gr. 3&4 - Instructional League:** \* Emphasis on skill development.

(341005-A) Girl's \* Saturdays, Sundays and early evening weeknights

(341006-A) Boy's \* Games held in Mansfield, Hebron, Coventry, Bolton

\*Game and practice schedules determined after November coaches meeting.

\* Begins week of 11/24 – ending mid-February

Fees: residents \$65.00, non-residents: \$75.00

### **5& 6, Gr. 7&8 - Recreation League**

(342001-A) Boys 5&6 Recreation \* Weeknight and weekend practices and games November 17 – mid-February

(342002-A) Girls 5&6 Recreation \* Games held in Mansfield, Hebron, Coventry, Bolton

(342003-A) Boys 7&8 Recreation \* Individual team practice and game schedules distributed at first practice.

(342004-A) Girls 7&8 Recreation \* Separate 5&6 and 7&8 teams for boys and girls

\* Players will **NOT BE ALLOWED** to play Rec. & Travel.

Fees: residents: \$80.00, non-residents: \$90.00

### **Grades 5&6, and Grades 7& 8 Competitive/Travel League \*Registration Deadline of 10/06/13 \* See Oct. tryout dates.**

Teams will primarily participate in the Power Pac Conference. Games can be up to a 60 minute drive. Consistent attendance at practices is expected and equal playing time is not mandated. Playing time is determined by individual coaches. Use the following registration numbers when completing the registration form. Those not making the travel team will automatically be transferred to the recreation division and issued a refund for the balance owed. **Mansfield resident participation only**. Fee includes gym rentals, seasonal uniform, board certified referees, and league fees. Non-league tournaments are optional and will require additional payments (estimated \$20.00) per tournament and will be collected by the coach.

Fee: (residents only) \$175.00

(343010-A) Boys 5&6 Competitive

(343012-A) Boys 7&8 Competitive

(343014-A) Girls 5&6 Competitive

(343016-A) Girl's 7&8 Competitive

**Volunteer Coaches** – Needed for many divisions. Head coaches must be at least 18 years old and all head and assistant coaches must complete a background check. **Please return "Yes, I want to Coach" form** to be contacted. Also, parent helpers are needed for the K-2 to assist our program staff. Questions? [OKeeffeim@mansfieldct.org](mailto:OKeeffeim@mansfieldct.org) or 860-429-3015, 6104.

**Gym Supervisors/Scorekeepers & Referees** – An application is available at [www.mansfieldct.org](http://www.mansfieldct.org).

- **Referees** for grades 5-8 and grades 3-4 recreation level basketball games must be at least 16 years old. Paid \$20.00 per game. Basic training is provided. Informational and training meetings will be scheduled in early December for those hired. Games held December – February at local schools on Saturdays. Applications received by November 7 will be given priority consideration. Positions open until filled. **Weekend Gym Supervisor/Scorekeepers** are needed to provide general oversight in gymnasium and maintain score of games, \$12.00 per game. Application on line at [www.mansfieldct.org](http://www.mansfieldct.org).

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY! (on line is available at [www.mansfieldcc.com](http://www.mansfieldcc.com))MAIL TO: Mansfield Parks & Recreation Department  
10 South Eagleville Road, Storrs/Mansfield CT 06268

## Primary Household Contact/Parent/Guardian

## Secondary Household Contact (Parent/Guardian)

Name:		Name:	
Address:			
Town:	Zip		
Phone: (H)	(W)	Phone: (H)	(W)
(Cell)		(Cell)	
Email Address:		Email Address:	

## LOCAL Emergency Contact (Other than parent/guardian, i.e., grandparent, neighbor, etc.)

Name:	Phone:
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Activity # /Letters	Activity Name	Participant's Last Name	First Name	Birth Date	Gender	Fee
Contribution to Scholarship Fund						
TOTAL:						

☐ please Check here if you have purchased a Community Center Membership.*Some Mansfield residents may be eligible for low-income fee reductions. Check with the Parks & Recreation Office for more information and an application*

Also fill details below for each participant:

	Grade (if child)	School (if child)	Allergies, Special Asst., Meds, Other Info:
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

PAYMENT INFORMATION: Please make checks payable to: Town of Mansfield

Payment method: Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash (in office only) \_\_\_\_\_ AMEX/DS/MC/Visa (in office only) \_\_\_\_\_  
(separate checks required for each program)**Credit Cards accepted on line and in person only**

WAIVER OF PARTICIPANT BY PARENT OR SFLF: I hereby agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless the Town of Mansfield, its directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and/or volunteers from any and all liability that may occur during either my participation or the participation of my minor child in the above listed recreational activities. I understand that participation in any recreational or sport activity involves risk, and I grant permission to the Town of Mansfield to utilize any medical emergency services it deems necessary to treat any injuries that I or my minor child may incur. I further understand that the Town of Mansfield does not provide insurance for recreational program participants. PHOTO RELEASE: I understand that for promotional purposes the Town videotapes and/or takes photographs of participants enrolled in recreation activities, classes or programs. I hereby release and permit the Town of Mansfield to utilize for said promotional purposes any photographs and/or videotapes of me or my minor child engages in the above listed recreational activities.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**“Yes, I Want to Coach”**  
**2014 Basketball Program**  
**Return this form with registration**

\* Return form with player registration and submit information to [OKeefeJM@Mansfieldct.org](mailto:OKeefeJM@Mansfieldct.org)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have child that is participating (if yes, list name): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best phone contact number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**YES, I WANT TO COACH (Indicate the level of commitment you are interested in)**

K-2 instructors (to assist P&R instructional staff)

\_\_\_\_ K

\_\_\_\_ Grades 1-2

Grades 3-8

Check Recreation and/or Travel Division (grades 5-8 only play a travel/competitive division)

\_\_\_\_ Recreation Division

\_\_\_\_ Travel Division

	<u>Grade</u>			<u>Gender</u>	
____ Head Coach	3/4	5/6	7/8	M	F
____ Assistant Coach	3/4	5/6	7/8	M	F


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Cut on line and note information below!

Coaching is more than knowing the game. The ability to teach age appropriate athletic skills is equally as important as being aware of the psychological and emotional needs of children while participating in sports. Those interested in coaching please complete and return the above information and you will be mailed a detailed coaches application packet. All approved coaches must complete (on-line) NYSCA coaches' certification, a background check and attend the pre-season coaches meetings on Sunday, November 2. Questions? [OKeefejm@mansfieldct.org](mailto:OKeefejm@mansfieldct.org) or 860-429-3015, 6104.

**Coaches Meeting Sunday November 2, 5:00-7:00pm**  
**at the Mansfield Community Center**

- Meeting will cover information regarding league organization, procedures and policies, safety, team selection process and division/grade curriculum for grades 3-8. Parent helpers in grades K-2 need not to attend this meeting.

# CELEBRATE

Bands Animals  
Floats ← Sports Teams  
→ Clubs  
Brought to you by:   
Mansfield Downtown Partnership  
Community Groups  
Bikes, Tykes, & Trikes! & More!

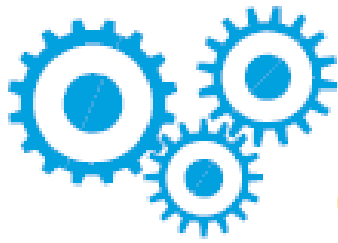
# MANSFIELD

★ YOU ★  
can be a part of the fun!  
Contact the Partnership for  
more info:  
860.429.2740  
mdp@mansfieldct.org

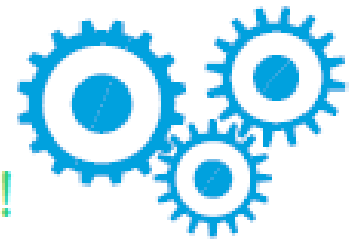
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→ Noon ←  
Storrs Road

# PARADE!





# YOU



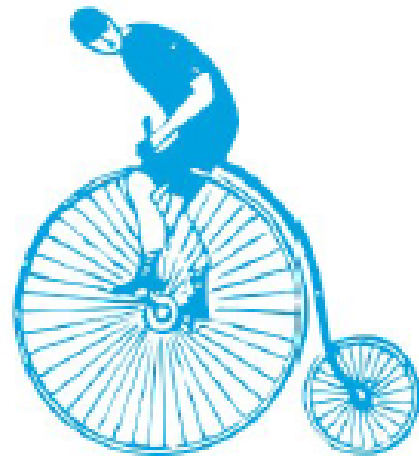
can be a part of the fun!

Children of all ages are invited to ride their bicycle in the

## CELEBRATE MANSFIELD PARADE

Meet at the Storrs Post Office at 11:00 AM to line-up.

REMEMBER  
TO WEAR YOUR  
HELMET!



There is **NO PARKING** at the Post Office.

Please plan to park in the Town Hall lot on S. Eagleville Road (Route 275) and walk to the Post Office.

Contact the Mansfield Downtown Partnership for more information:

860.429.2740 or [mdp@mansfieldct.org](mailto:mdp@mansfieldct.org)

[www.downtownstorrsfestival.org](http://www.downtownstorrsfestival.org)

Make friends.  
Catch fish.  
Earn badges.  
Climb rocks.  
Explore caves.  
Take hikes.  
Visit museums.  
Launch rockets.  
Race cars.  
Roast marshmallows.  
Take pictures.  
Help people.  
Discover trails.  
Ride bikes.  
Play sports.  
Learn games.  
Build character.  
Gain confidence.  
Hit targets.  
Laugh loud.  
Grow better.  
Camp out.  
Work together.  
Have fun.

ADVENTURE IS WAITING.  
BUILD YOURS AT **BEASCOUT.ORG**.

# Mansfield Cub Scouts!



Joining Night is September 30th at 6:30 PM at the First Baptist Church located on 945 Storrs Road (Route 195). More information can be found at our website at [www.mansfieldcubscouts.com](http://www.mansfieldcubscouts.com).



**Coventry Panthers Youth Football  
And Cheerleading Sign-ups  
Ages 6-13  
Flag Football and Flag Cheerleading Ages 3-5**

**Open to  
Coventry, Mansfield,  
Ashford, Willington &  
Botton Residents**

**Tackle Football \$120  
Cheerleading \$100  
Flag Football \$50  
Flag Football Cheerleading \$50  
Family Plan (3 or More) \$240**



**Sign Up Today @  
[coventryyouthfootball.com/registration/](http://coventryyouthfootball.com/registration/)**